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EPA has prepared rules which, when final, would require the examination of public school buildings for asbestos. The EPA Asbestos-In-Schools Identification and Notification Rule was proposed in September 1980 and is planned to be final in early 1981.

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CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

The objective of this document is to provide guidance to local school officials and their staffs for the effective implementation of an asbestos analytical program that will generate adequate information for decision-making and yet not be too costly in terms of dollars and human resources.

Participants in the school asbestos program should be aware of some of the pitfalls associated with carrying out an asbestos analytical program. The proper implementation of a valid program to characterize suspected asbestos-containing materials requires an appreciation of the interdependence of the various elements of the overall process. The importance of random sampling, appropriate chemical analytical techniques, selection of a laboratory to do the bulk sample analyses, and an effective laboratory monitoring program are emphasized throughout this document.

The following paragraphs outline seven elements that are necessary in an asbestos program. Chapters 2, 3, and 4 then discuss in detail sampling procedures, laboratory quality assurance, laboratory analysis, and statistical analysis.

ASBESTOS ANALYTICAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The first element in the program is to identify an asbestos analytical program coordinator to be responsible for overseeing the entire asbestos program. In particular, the coordinator is responsible for supervising the sampling of suspected asbestos-containing materials, selecting laboratories to analyze the bulk samples for asbestos content, monitoring the laboratories' performance throughout the analysis period, and preparing a summary report. If possible, someone with a technical background, such as mathematics or science, should be designated coordinator.

SAMPLING OF MATERIALS SUSPECTED TO CONTAIN ASBESTOS

The second element in the asbestos analytical program, sampling of the suspect material, is considered the single most important step in the process. Proper sampling, that is, random sampling, is the basis upon which the validity of the subsequent laboratory analysis program and decision-making processes rest. If the suspect material is improperly sampled, the analyses that follow will be compromised.

Chapter 2 describes inspection for suspect material, identification of Sampling Areas, and the recommended sampling procedure. A simple random sampling procedure is employed to ensure the reliability of the results. To aid in this process, a SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET is provided in Chapter 2. The number of samples recommended

provides a high chance of detecting asbestos in bulk materials, if present. For example, if a Sampling Area has 5% or more asbestos content, taking at least three samples would give greater than a 90% chance of detecting the presence of asbestos. (The assumptions underlying this statement are described in detail in a Statistical Background Document, [2]. These assumptions are based on data made available to EPA by the Bureau of Mines and the Battelle-Columbus Laboratories.) To achieve greater than 90% assuredness, the number of samples taken in each sampling area would have to be increased.

LABORATORY ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUE

The third element in the asbestos program is the appropriate choice of a laboratory technique to analyze the suspect materials. In view of the health and economic implications, accurate determination of the presence or absence of asbestos is critical.

The method of choice for the determination of asbestos in suspect materials is polarized light microscopy (PLM) with or without dispersion staining (DS), and with X-ray diffraction (XRD) as necessary to supplement the PLM analysis [1]. PLM is the only method that depends on the unique optical crystallographic properties of the sample. These properties uniquely identify the individual asbestos types: chrysotile, actinolite, amosite, anthophyllite,

crocidolite, and tremolite. These crystal aspects coupled with the fiber shape will uniquely identify the asbestos present in the material being analyzed and will also characterize non-asbestos fibers present such as fiberglass and cellulose.

Another analytical technique used in asbestos analysis is phase contrast microscopy. This method was developed by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) for use in occupational settings when a significant asbestos insult is known to exist. This technique is used to count fibers based solely on their shape and size and does not distinguish between asbestos fibers and non-asbestos fibers such as cellulose, hair, and fiberglass. Consequently, analysis of bulk samples for the determination of asbestos content by this laboratory technique is unacceptable.

A detailed analytical protocol for the bulk analysis of asbestos-containing insulation and sprayed-on materials is being prepared and tested [3]. This protocol should serve as an authoritative guide to any bulk sample analysis program using PLM and XRD as analytical tools.

LABORATORY SELECTION

The fourth element of the asbestos analytical program is the selection of a competent and reliable laboratory. The identification of asbestos in bulk samples involves expertise in optical crystallography and is not a routine

laboratory procedure. Only laboratories actively engaged in using polarized light microscopy for the analysis of bulk samples for asbestos materials should be considered for this service.

EPA is sponsoring an analytical proficiency program for bulk sample analysis. Presently, 52 commercial and 23 non-commercial laboratories are participating on a voluntary basis. A brief description of this program, the results of round one, sample reporting, and a list of participating laboratories are provided in Appendix A. This is not a laboratory certification process; however, these laboratories have demonstrated proficiency in analyzing bulk samples using polarized light microscopy.

It is recommended that laboratories from this list be selected for school asbestos programs. If it is not possible to select a laboratory from this list, a procedure for evaluating the performance of an unknown laboratory is provided in Appendix B.

A laboratory proficient in NIOSH asbestos fiber-counting methodology using phase contrast microscopy may lack both the equipment and expertise for PLM identification of asbestos in bulk samples. As stated above, phase contrast microscopy is inappropriate for the differentiation of asbestos from non-asbestos fiber materials.

SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO BE REPORTED BY LABORATORY

The fifth element in the asbestos analytical program is to specify the information to be reported by the laboratory for each sample submitted for analysis. It is important that complete reporting of the analytical results be obtained from the laboratory.

The laboratory report should include: school's "blind" sample ID numbers, laboratory sample ID numbers (assigned by laboratory), analytical method, sample appearance, sample treatment, amount of material examined, type and percent of asbestos present, type and percent of non-asbestos fibrous and nonfibrous materials present, method of quantitation, laboratory quality control program, analyst's name and address, and the school system's return address. A LABORATORY DATA SHEET incorporating this information is provided in Chapter 4. Send this form to the laboratory with every set of samples.

QUALITY ASSURANCE MEASURES

Quality assurance is a term used to describe measures for determining and maintaining laboratory reliability. The selection of a competent laboratory for the analysis of bulk samples suspected of containing asbestos is an important step in the implementation of a successful asbestos program, and such a selection must be made prudently.

It is not, however, sufficient to carefully select a laboratory and then presume that all will run smoothly throughout the course of the asbestos program. The experiences of several state and local efforts in dealing with asbestos analysis strongly suggest that additional measures are not only recommended but even necessary if the program is to be successful. Thus, the sixth element in an asbestos program is laboratory quality assurance. Recommendations for a program of laboratory quality assurance are detailed in Chapter 3. Flowcharts are provided for three different situations depending on the number of samples taken.

RECORDKEEPING

The seventh and final element of the asbestos analytical program relates to proper recordkeeping of the analytical data collected during the program. Close attention must be paid to the accurate recording of the sampling process and the final disposition of the laboratory reports. The laboratory analytical reports should be inserted into the permanent file of the asbestos program. Reports of results from school surveys should be forwarded to the school district office. Additional recordkeeping details are presented in Chapters 2, 3 and 4.

The preceeding paragraphs have given an overview of a school asbestos program. Chapter 2 describes the recommended sampling procedure. A SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET is provided. Chapter 3 presents recommendations for a laboratory quality assurance program. Flowcharts outline the procedures to be followed. In Chapter 4, laboratory reporting and statistical analysis are discussed. A LABORATORY DATA SHEET and a STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET are provided.

The following CHECKLIST FOR AN ASBESTOS ANALYTICAL PROGRAM provides a chronological list of events that normally comprise a thorough asbestos analytical program. This list is provided as a convenient reference for the program coordinator.

CHECKLIST FOR AN ASBESTOS ANALYTICAL PROGRAM

		Date Completed
1.	Appoint an Asbestos Analytical Program Coordinator	_____
2.	Establish Program File	_____
3.	Inspect For Friable Materials	_____
4.	Follow Sampling Protocol [Use SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEETS]	_____
5.	Follow quality assurance protocol [Use flow charts]	_____
6.	Send samples to laboratories [Use LABORATORY DATA SHEET]	_____
7.	Interpret laboratory results [Use STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET]	_____
8.	Enter all information in program file.	_____
9.	Report to district office	_____

CHAPTER 2: SAMPLING FRIABLE MATERIALS

Friable material is material that can be easily crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to powder in the hand. It may be an asbestos-containing material, or it may be a material that contains other fibers, such as cellulose and fiberglass. Since friable materials crumble easily, it is believed they have the potential to release fibers readily. For that reason, it is imperative to determine whether friable materials contain asbestos fibers and to take corrective action where necessary.

Friable material may be found on the ceilings of classrooms, corridors, auditoriums, cafeterias, machinery rooms, storage rooms, indoor pools, and gymnasiums. It may also be found on steel support beams and columns and, occasionally, on walls and pipes. Neither visual inspection of friable material nor checking building records can determine the presence or absence of asbestos. Such a determination must be made through proper sampling and analysis.

The sampling procedure outlined in this chapter is a refinement of the methodology presented in Chapter 5 of Asbestos-Containing Materials in School Buildings: A Guid-

ance Document, Part 1 [1]. It was developed using recently-available data and based on standard statistical theory. If a school sampling program has been completed prior to the release of this revised sampling procedure, EPA will not require additional sampling unless there still remains some question as to the presence or absence of asbestos in the friable material.

The recommended sampling procedure should be carefully followed. Improper sampling could result in incorrect decisions, even when the accompanying laboratory analysis and quality assurance programs are excellent. Incorrect decisions would lead either to costly, time-consuming, and unnecessary corrective action or to no action for potentially hazardous situations. Especially critical to a valid asbestos analytical program is the use of a random sampling technique. The importance of this aspect cannot be overemphasized.

Since it is clearly not reasonable to remove all the material from a ceiling to examine for the presence of asbestos, a few small specimens, a sample of the ceiling material, is taken. The basis for extending the results of the sample to the entire ceiling is statistical theory which assumes random sampling. This is easily explained by an example.

Suppose a handful of marbles are blindly withdrawn from a jar full of marbles. If the handful of marbles withdrawn

is half white and half blue, it would be believed that the jar contains only white and blue marbles, and that the composition is approximately half of each color. Since the selection is random, the composition of the handful of marbles would be expected to reflect the contents of the jar. That is, if the jar contained mostly blue marbles, then selecting marbles purely by chance ought to produce a mostly blue sample.

On the other hand, if for convenience just the top layer of marbles are selected and 6 white and 6 blue marbles are found, not much can be said about the contents of the jar. It contained at least 6 blue marbles and 6 white marbles, but that is all that can be said. Thus, this purposively selected (chosen on purpose) or convenience sample, does not provide much information about the nature of the jar's contents. These ideas underlie the concept of statistical inference.

Given the wide variation in asbestos content observed in some ceilings, a similar judgmental or convenience sampling method has led to incorrect characterization of the material. In some cases, the asbestos was entirely missed. In other cases, it was significantly over-estimated.

SAMPLING PROCEDURE

The recommended sampling procedure includes the following steps:

- establish an asbestos analytical program file.
- locate all friable materials in the buildings of concern.
- identify and establish homogeneous Sampling Areas of friable material.
- diagram each homogeneous Sampling Area reasonably to scale on graph paper.
- clearly indicate all inaccessible areas and water-damaged areas in Sampling Areas on diagrams.
- determine the appropriate number of bulk samples to be taken.
- using a random selection process, select the locations within all Sampling Areas where bulk samples will be taken.
- collect the samples, using proper precautions.
- enter all pertinent data in the program file.

The rest of this chapter presents this process in detail. Worksheets are provided to assist in the somewhat complicated steps necessary to ensure reliable results. A detailed example of the sampling process is provided at the end of this chapter.

ESTABLISHING AN ASBESTOS ANALYTICAL PROGRAM FILE

This step, though apparent, is listed here for emphasis. Maintain all worksheets and data forms in a permanent central file for future reference.

INSPECTING FOR FRIABLE MATERIAL

The next step in determining the presence or absence of asbestos is an inspection for friable material. Visually inspect all areas of the school building including student, administrative, maintenance, and custodial areas for friable material. Follow the guidelines for inspection given in Chapter 4 of Asbestos-Containing Materials in School Buildings: A Guidance Document, Part 1 [1]. If friable material is located during inspection, collect samples of the material for laboratory analysis according to the sampling procedure outlined below.

ESTABLISHING SAMPLING AREAS

Following the inspection for friable material, establish Sampling Areas. A Sampling Area is defined as a homogeneous area of friable material--that is, all friable material in a single Sampling Area is of the same type and was applied during the same time period. A decision as to the presence or absence of asbestos in the friable material is necessary for each Sampling Area.

The procedure for establishing Sampling Areas is described below. Their proper establishment is extremely important as incorrectly established Sampling Areas will yield results that do not accurately reflect the asbestos content of the friable material in the school building. This in turn may lead to very costly and unnecessary corrective

action, or to no corrective action at all when it is needed.

Partition the total friable material area of the school building into Sampling Areas. The partitioning will be based upon visual inspection, knowledge of the school building's history, and building records, if available.

The following example should clarify the method of partitioning.

> Example: Suppose that friable material is found on the ceiling of a school's library and on the ceilings of first floor classrooms of an annex constructed six years after library construction. The friable material on the library ceiling appears to all be of one type, and the friable material on the ceilings of the annex classrooms appears to all be of a second type. In this situation, two Sampling Areas are required: (1) library ceiling and (2) ceilings of first floor classrooms of the annex. An estimate of the percentage of asbestos present will be obtained for each of these Sampling Areas, and separate decisions as to the necessity of corrective action will be made. If an unacceptably high percentage of asbestos is found only in Sampling Area (2), then corrective action needs to be considered only for that Sampling Area.

DIAGRAM PREPARATION

For each Sampling Area, prepare a diagram showing all friable materials in the Sampling Area. The diagram should be constructed on graph paper as follows:

(1) Clearly indicate the approximate dimensions of all rooms, corridors, or other school building areas included in the diagram. If these measurements are not readily available, rooms will need to be

measured using a tape measure or by pacing. Prepare the diagram to scale.

(2) Distinguish between friable material areas of the Sampling Area and areas in the diagram that are not contained in the Sampling Area.

(3) Draw on the diagram (to scale) any of the following features that are found within the Sampling Area.

(a) Damage caused by water or high humidity.

(b) Damage due to vandalism, rough use, or other factors.

(c) Patched or repaired material.

(d) Areas that are inaccessible for the purpose of sampling the friable material.

The reason for noting (a) water damage is that it is appropriate to take corrective action for all these areas regardless of asbestos content. Information noted in (b) may be useful in assessing the appropriate corrective action to be taken if asbestos is found to be present. Inaccessible areas (d) are marked so that no sample locations will be selected in these areas.

If one Sampling Area contains friable material areas that are not adjacent (for example, areas on different floors of the school building where the material is the same), sketch each separate area according to the above instructions. Place all sketches on the same graph, as

close together as possible. The Sampling Area may contain areas that are not in the same plane (for example, a ceiling and a wall with the same type of friable material). In this case, sketch each flat surface according to the above instructions and place these sketches on the same graph, as close together as possible.

On each Sampling Area diagram, record the following information:

(1) Sampling Area identification (ID) number. (A number assigned by the school official to the Sampling Area that distinguishes the Sampling Area from all others of the school building.)

(2) Brief description of the Sampling Area.

(3) Area dimensions and scale.

(4) Name and address of the school.

(5) Name and telephone number of the asbestos analytical program coordinator of the school.

(6) Name of inspector and date of inspection.

(7) Name of person preparing the diagram and date prepared.

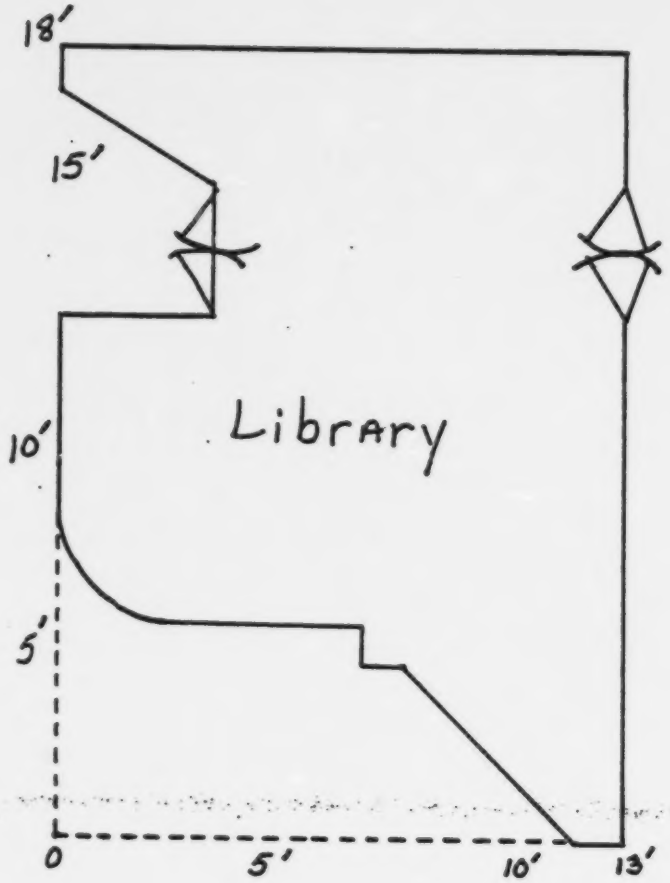
Include these diagrams in the program file. (Example Sampling Area diagrams are displayed in Figures 2.1 and 2.2.)

NUMBER OF SAMPLES TO TAKE

The number of samples to be collected will be based on the overall size of the Sampling Area. From the dimensions

Sampling Area ID# 1

Description: Library — Friable Ceiling Material



Scale
square = 1 ft.

School _____
Address _____
Program Coordinator _____
Telephone Number _____
Inspector _____
Date of Inspection _____
Diagram Prepared by _____
Date _____

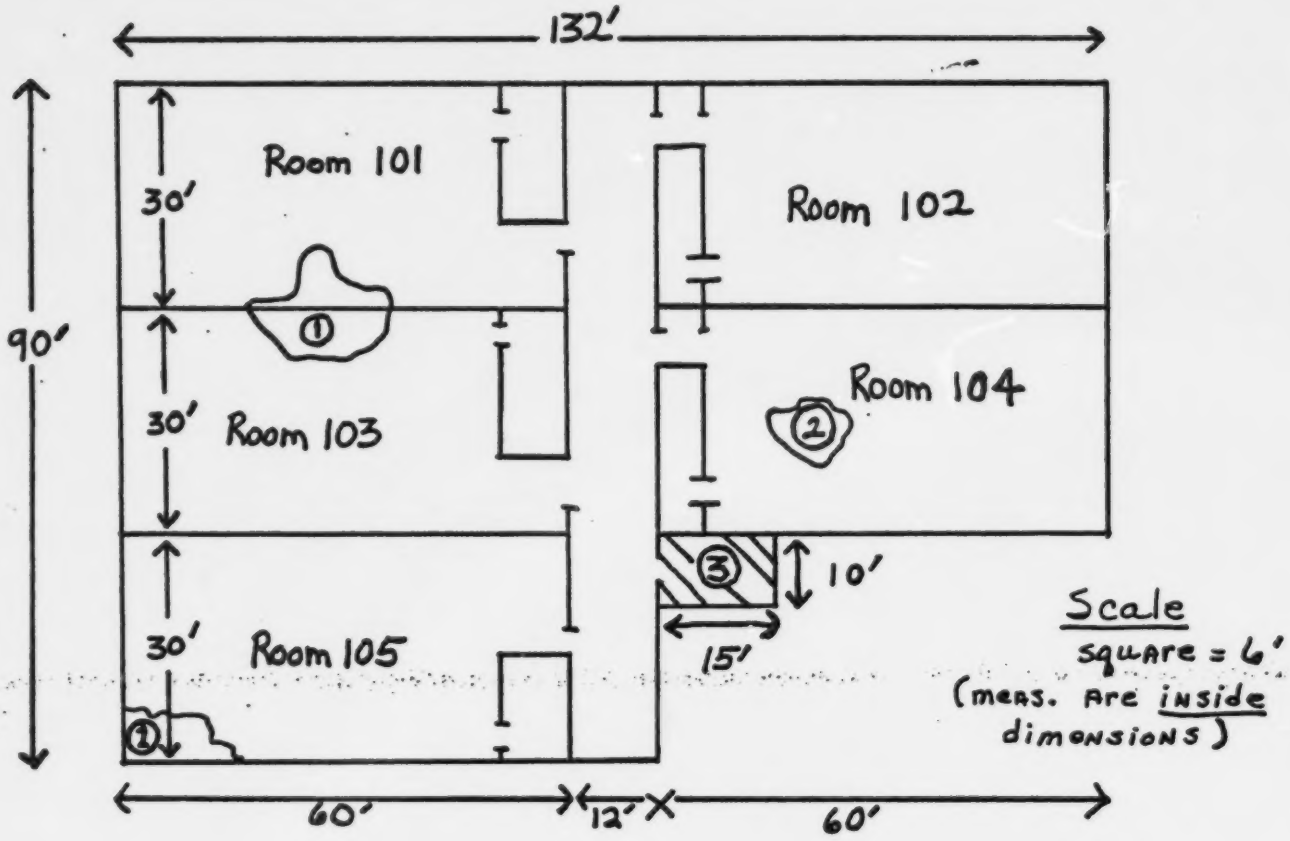
Figure 2.1: Example Sampling Area Diagram

Description: Sampling Area ID # 2

Classroom Annex (constructed in 1962)

Friable Ceiling Material of First Floor Classrooms
Gray textured spray finish
Stuccoed in appearance

All ceiling areas sketched below comprise Sampling Area (2), with one exception noted.



① Water damage
② Ceiling broken and falling
③ Stairwell ceiling not friable - not in Sampling Area (2)

School _____ Program Coordinator _____
Address _____ Telephone No. _____
Inspector _____ Diagram Prepared by _____
Date of Inspection _____ Date _____

Figure 2.2: Example Sampling Area Diagram

recorded on the Sampling Area diagram, compute the total square feet in the Sampling Area. Then from the table below, determine the number of samples to be collected.

If the size (square feet) of the Sampling Area is	Then the number of samples to be collected is
Less than 1,000	3
Between 1,000 and 5,000	5
Greater than 5,000	7

SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS

After preparing the diagram(s) and determining the number of samples to be collected in each Sampling Area, determine the approximate location of each sample. The method for selecting sample locations described below utilizes a TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS. This is designed to eliminate any inadvertent bias which would jeopardize the correctness of the final decision as to whether or not asbestos is present. Unfortunately, this method involves a certain amount of numerical work. No other method of site selection, though, can guarantee unbiased results. Following this step-by-step procedure carefully will give reliable, unbiased sample site selections.

Select sample locations according to instructions (1) through (9) below. It is very important to properly use the random number procedure to select sample locations. Refer to the SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET in Figure 2.3 for the following steps.

SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET

Sampling Area ID No. (a) _____ Split-Sample ID No.(s)_____

Dimensions of rectangle covering the Sampling Area:

Base (b) _____feet *(Choose first random number between 0 and no. in (b))*

Height (c) _____feet *(Choose second random number between 0 and no. in (c))*

	RANDOM NUMBERS		LOCATION FALLS WITHIN SA		SAMPLE LOCATION	Unique Sample ID #
	First	Second	Yes	No	ID Numbers	*(For Lab)*
(1)			☐	☐		
(2)			☐	☐		
(3)			☐	☐		
(4)			☐	☐		
(5)			☐	☐		
(6)			☐	☐		
(7)			☐	☐		
(8)			☐	☐		
(9)			☐	☐		
(10)			☐	☐		
(11)			☐	☐		
(12)			☐	☐		

School Name: _____

District: _____ State: _____

Asbestos Analytical Program Coordinator: _____

Date: _____

Figure 2.3: WORKSHEET

(1) Record the Sampling Area ID Number on the SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET (a).

(2) Construct on the Sampling Area diagram an imaginary rectangle enclosing the entire Sampling Area. Record the dimensions of this imaginary rectangle on the WORKSHEET: first the number of feet along the rectangle base (b) and then the number of feet along the side or height (c).

(3) From the TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS, choose a pair of random numbers. Record the random numbers on the WORKSHEET. A TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS and instructions for its use are provided in Appendix C. The first random number of the pair should be between 0 and the number of feet along the rectangle base (b). The second random number of the pair should be between 0 and the number of feet along the side or height (c) of the rectangle.

(4) The random number pair describes a location within the rectangle. The first number of the pair specifies the number of feet from the left side of the rectangle, and the second number specifies the number of feet from the bottom of the rectangle. The point should be plotted on the Sampling Area diagram.

(5) If the point described by the random number pair is within the Sampling Area and not within any

area designated on the diagram as inaccessible for the purpose of sampling, then that point is a sample location. Otherwise, the point is not a sample location. This elimination of inappropriate random number pairs does not adversely affect the random selection process so long as the pairs are chosen in continuous sequence. (If the random number selection process is done off-site, select some extra pairs of random numbers in case one or more are later found to be inaccessible. The SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET provides room to select 12 pairs of random numbers.)

(6) Continue using the above random number pair procedure until at least the required number (3, 5 or 7) of appropriate sample locations have been selected.

(7) All random number pairs should be recorded on the WORKSHEET. Beside each random number pair, indicate by a check if the location the pair describes is within the Sampling Area (and not within any area designated as inaccessible for the purpose of sampling) and is thus a sample location.

(8) Assign a sample location number to each of the sample locations. Any system of numbers that assigns a unique number to each sample location is satisfactory. Record these location numbers on

the WORKSHEET, and on the Sampling Area diagram.

(9) At the same time, assign a non-systematic but unique sample ID number to each sample location. This ID number, not the sample location number, will be on the sampling container when it goes to the laboratory for analysis. Using unique non-systematic numbers will prevent the laboratories from knowing which samples come from the same Sampling Areas or the same buildings. This "blind" procedure helps prevent bias on the part of the analyst. Record these unique sample ID numbers (for laboratories) on the WORKSHEET. Choosing numbers from the TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS is a quick and easy technique for assigning sample ID numbers.

SAMPLE COLLECTION

Sampling containers should be small, sealable tin, metal or plastic containers. Suggested sampling containers are plastic 35 mm film canisters or small wide-mouthed aspirin bottles. Prior to sampling, thoroughly clean a sufficient number of sampling containers.

Collect the bulk samples, i.e., samples taken from the friable material by penetrating the depth of the friable material, at the specified locations according to the following guidelines:

(1) Gently twist the open end of the sampling container into the material. A core of the material should fall into the container. A sample can also be taken by using a clean knife to cut out or scrape off a small piece of the material and then placing it in the container. Be sure to penetrate any paint or protective coating and all the layers of the material. If the sampling container cannot penetrate the material, consider whether the material is really friable or not.

(2) Tightly close the sampling container; wipe its exterior with a damp cloth to remove any material which may have adhered to it during sampling.

(3) Tape the sampling container cap to prevent the accidental opening of the container during shipment or handling. In addition, it is recommended that each container be placed in a sealed plastic bag because film canister caps, even when taped, may come off in transport.

(4) Record the unique sample ID number chosen in (8) above on a label and tape the label to the corresponding sampling container. Be sure to record the unique sample ID numbers on the WORKSHEET as part of the asbestos analytical program file.

(5) See Chapter 3 for laboratory quality assurance procedures.

Collect samples at (or as close as possible to) the selected locations and collect all samples. Exact measurements (i.e., by ruler) are not necessary for finding the sample locations. Quicker, easier techniques such as pacing may be employed.

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN DURING SAMPLING

To avoid causing unnecessary exposure to asbestos fibers, take the following precautions while sampling friable materials [1].

(1) Sample the material when the area is not in use.

(2) Have only those persons needed for the sampling present.

(3) Hold the sampling container away from the face during actual sampling.

(4) Do not disturb the material any more than necessary.

(5) Spray the material with a light mist of water to reduce fiber release during sampling.

(6) If a large number of samples are taken, NIOSH recommends that the sampler wear an approved respirator. Contact a NIOSH Regional Office for information on approved respirators [1].

(7) Wear a respirator if moving ceiling tiles or in any other way disturbing possible fallen asbestos or its debris.

(8) If pieces of material break off during sampling, wet mop the areas where they have fallen.

AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE SAMPLING PROCEDURE

The sampling procedure is illustrated by this example. A school was visually inspected for friable materials. Five classrooms in an annex were found to contain suspect ceiling materials. All the materials were believed to be the same and thus comprise one Sampling Area (SA).

Approximate room dimensions were obtained by pacing and diagrammed as shown in Figure 2.4. Pertinent information such as the location of damaged, non-friable, and inaccessible materials was diagrammed and labelled.

The total area of friable materials in the five classrooms determines the number of samples to be taken from the SA. The example SA is 10,080 square feet, as calculated by

$$\text{Area} = [60' \times 90'] + [12' \times 90'] + [60' \times 60']$$

$$= 10{,}080 \text{ square feet.}$$

Since this area is greater than 5,000 square feet, seven samples are required.

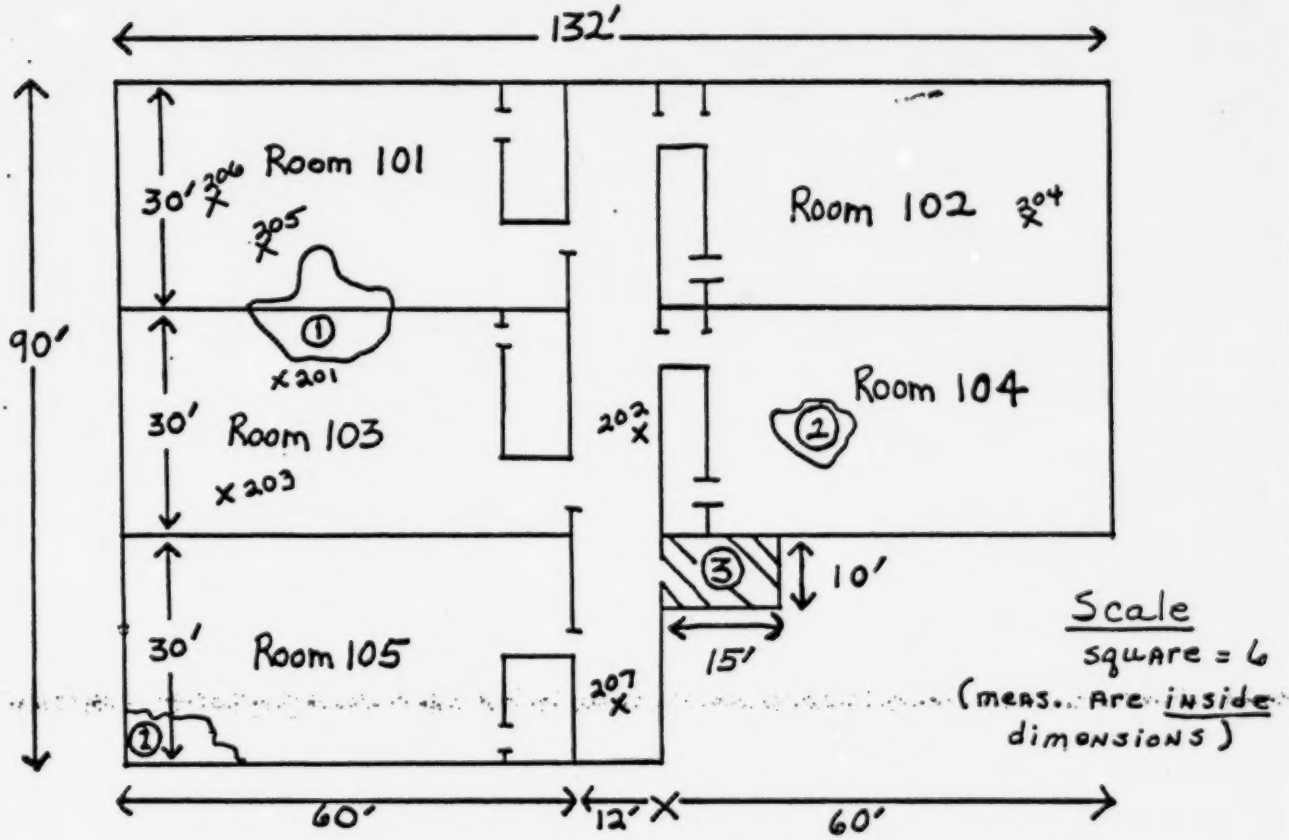
The SA ID number and the base and height of the SA were recorded on the SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET. The completed WORKSHEET is shown in Figure 2.5. The example SA's base is 132' (Note: 3-digit number) and height is 90'

Description: Sampling Area ID # 2

Classroom Annex (constructed in 1962)

Friable Ceiling Material of First Floor Classrooms
Gray textured spray finish
Stuccoed in appearance

All ceiling areas sketched below comprise Sampling Area (2), with one exception noted.



① Water damage
② Ceiling broken and falling
③ Stairwell ceiling not friable - not in Sampling Area (2)

School _____ Program Coordinator _____
Address _____ Telephone No. _____
Inspector _____ Diagram Prepared by _____
Date of Inspection _____ Date _____

Figure 2.4: Example Sampling Area Diagram With Sample Locations Marked

SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET

Sampling Area ID No. (a) 2 Split-Sample ID No.(s) _____

Dimensions of rectangle covering the Sampling Area:

Base (b) 132 feet (*Choose first random number between 0 and no. in (b)*)

Height (c) 90 feet (*Choose second random number between 0 and no. in (c)*)

	RANDOM NUMBERS First	RANDOM NUMBERS Second	LOCATION FALLS WITHIN SA Yes	LOCATION FALLS WITHIN SA No	SAMPLE LOGATION ID Numbers	Unique Sample ID # (*For Lab*)
(1)	21	51	✓		201	217
(2)	71	45	✓		202	884
(3)	108	13		✓		
(4)	10	41	✓		203	072
(5)	119	76	✓		204	300
(6)	22	66	✓		205	940
(7)	14	71	✓		206	572
(8)	67	12	✓		207	579
(9)						
(10)						
(11)						
(12)						

School Name: _____

District: _____ State: _____

Asbestos Analytical Program Coordinator: _____

Date: _____

Figure 2.5: WORKSHEET EXAMPLE

(Note: 2-digit number). The seven sample locations were chosen using the TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS in Table 2.1. The first random number of each pair had to be between 0 and 132, and the second random number of each pair had to be between 0 and 90. Beginning in the upper left-hand corner of the random number table, the following 3-digit random numbers were crossed off as they are greater than 132: 632, 715, 998, 671, 744, and 511. Then the digits 021 were circled and used in the first random number pair since the number 21 is between 0 and 132.

To find the second random number of this pair, 2-digit numbers were considered. The digits 51 were circled since 51 is between 0 and 90. The first random number pair (21,51) was recorded on the SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET. This procedure was repeated until seven pairs of random numbers were selected.

After seven pairs of random numbers were selected and recorded on the SELECTION OF SAMPLE LOCATIONS WORKSHEET, these numbers were plotted on the SA diagram which was drawn to scale on graph paper (see Figure 2.4.). In the example SA, the first random number pair is (21,51). This designates the point 21 feet from the left side of the rectangle and 51 feet from the bottom of the rectangle. Since that point (21,51) is within the SA, it is a valid sample location and was marked on the diagram. If a random number pair designates a point within the rectangle that is not within

TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS

62471	59985	71244	51402	10411	40710	58662	97106	17654	78935
49547	00300	95436	72115	08502	01811	20020	62734	08458	28364
53987	51248	82065	09011	19781	86535	40102	30016	00167	56702
48226	87452	44760	67132	45573	84358	21625	16999	13385	22782
55363	07449	34835	15290	76616	67191	12777	21861	68689	03263
69393	92785	49902	58447	42048	30378	87618	26933	40640	16281
13186	29431	88190	04588	38733	81290	89541	70290	40113	08243
17726	28652	56836	78351	47327	18518	92222	55201	27340	10493
36520	64465	05550	30157	82242	29520	69753	72602	23756	54935
81628	36100	39254	56835	37636	02421	98063	89641	64953	99337
84649	48968	75215	75498	49539	74240	03466	49292	36401	45525
63291	11618	12613	75055	43915	26488	41116	64531	56827	30825
70502	53225	03655	05915	37140	57051	48393	91322	25653	06543
06426	24771	59935	49801	11082	66762	94477	02494	88215	27191
20711	55609	29430	70165	45406	78484	31639	52009	18873	96927
41990	70538	77191	25860	55204	73417	83920	69468	74972	38712
72452	36618	76298	26678	89334	33938	95567	29380	75906	91807
37042	40318	57099	10528	09925	89773	41335	96244	29002	46453
53766	52875	15987	46962	67342	77592	57651	95508	80033	69828
90585	58955	53122	16025	84299	53310	67380	84249	25348	04332
32001	96293	37203	64516	51530	37069	40261	61374	05815	06714
62606	64324	46354	72157	67248	20135	49804	09226	64419	29457
10078	28073	85389	50324	14500	15562	64165	06125	71353	77669
91561	46145	24177	15294	10061	98124	75732	00815	83452	97355
13091	98112	53959	79607	52244	63303	10413	63839	74762	50289
73864	83014	72457	22682	03033	61714	88173	90835	00634	85169
66668	25467	48894	51043	02365	91726	09365	63167	95264	45643
84745	41042	29493	01836	09044	51926	43630	63470	76508	14194
48068	26805	94595	47907	13357	38412	33318	26098	82782	42851
54310	96175	97594	88616	42035	38093	36745	56702	40644	83514
14877	33095	10924	58013	61439	21882	42059	24177	58739	60170
78295	23179	02771	43464	59061	71411	05697	67194	30495	21157
67524	02865	39593	54278	04237	92441	26602	63835	38032	94770
58268	57219	68124	73455	83236	08710	04284	55005	84171	42596
97158	28672	50685	01181	24262	19427	52106	34308	73685	74246
04230	16831	69085	30802	65559	09205	71829	06498	85650	38707
94879	56606	30401	02602	57658	70091	54986	41394	60437	03195
71446	15232	66715	26385	91518	70566	02888	79941	39684	54315
32886	05644	79316	09819	00813	88407	17461	73925	53037	91904
62048	33711	25290	21526	02223	75947	66466	06232	10913	75336
84534	42351	21628	53669	81352	95152	08107	98814	72743	12849
84707	15885	84710	35866	06446	86311	32648	88141	73902	69981
19409	40868	64220	80861	13860	68493	52908	26374	63297	45052
57978	48015	25973	66777	45924	56144	24742	96702	88200	66162
57295	98298	11199	96510	75228	41600	47192	43267	35973	23152
94044	83785	93388	07833	38216	31413	70555	03023	54147	06647
30014	25879	71763	96679	90603	99396	74557	74224	18211	91637
07265	69563	64268	88802	72264	66540	01782	08396	19251	83613
84404	88642	30263	80310	11522	57810	27627	78376	36240	48952
21778	02085	27762	46097	43324	34354	09369	14966	10158	76089

Table 2.1: TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS Used For the Example

the SA, it is not used as a sample location and the next random number pair is used. In the example SA, the third random number pair selected (108,13) designated a point outside of the SA and was disregarded.

The plotting procedure was continued until a total of seven valid sample locations were specified on the diagram. Each sampling location was assigned a sample location number. (Any simple numbering system can be used so long as each sample location within a SA receives a unique number.) In the example SA, sample locations were numbered from 201 to 207. The unique non-systematic sample ID numbers for laboratory submission were randomly selected from a TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS.

CHAPTER 3: LABORATORY QUALITY ASSURANCE

As previously stated, a rigorous quality assurance (QA) program is important to ensure the reliability of results from laboratory analyses. Once a laboratory is chosen from the list in Appendix A, or from subsequent laboratory lists provided by EPA, the implementation of split-sample techniques outlined in this chapter is recommended to monitor laboratory output on a regular basis. If it is not possible to choose a laboratory from this list, Appendix B contains a procedure for evaluating the performance of an unknown laboratory.

A quality assurance program need not be pursued on an individual school basis. In fact, measures described here would be much more effective and useful when applied by a school district or other collection of schools. By utilizing a coordinated quality assurance program, officials from many schools or districts could greatly improve their chances of receiving reliable and consistent laboratory results.

SPLIT-SAMPLE TECHNIQUES FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE

To carry out a successful quality assurance program requires that a certain proportion of samples of suspect materials be split. Therefore, take each bulk sample in large enough quantity to allow it to be divided into two equivalent portions. The two portions are referred to collectively as a split-sample; that is, a split-sample is one sample that has been split into two equivalent parts.

The two portions of a split-sample must not differ from each other in any substantial way, and the amount of material taken for each part of the split-sample should be the same as for regular samples in the overall program. One simple method used for split sampling is to take two samples immediately adjacent to each other and use each as a portion of the split-sample. However, it is crucial that the two "splits" be equivalent material.

Pack the two parts of the split-sample separately in a manner similar to other samples. Affix a unique sample ID number to each sampling container so the laboratory will not know which samples are split-samples. Record the unique sample ID numbers so results can be accurately compared.

The two portions of a split-sample must be analyzed independently of each other, and the results from the two analyses should then be compared. The two samples might be analyzed by two different laboratories. One would be the laboratory that is to carry out the overall program and the

second would be a qualified laboratory, either a commercial facility (perhaps a back-up laboratory in the event the other falters and proves unreliable) or a noncommercial facility that is willing to do a small number of samples on a limited basis but unable to handle a large volume. Alternatively, both parts of the split-sample may be submitted to the same lab.

If the two parts of a split-sample are not equivalent, then the results reported by the laboratories may correctly differ significantly one from the other and pose difficult interpretation problems for the school official. The failure of the laboratories to agree in their analyses of the split-samples may require that all samples (split-samples and non split-samples) be reanalyzed.

The laboratory reports for the split-samples will state whether asbestos is present or absent in that sample. It is this point of the analytical report - the presence or absence of asbestos - which should serve as the first focal point for the school official in deciding whether the laboratory performance is acceptable or not for the program.

To aid in this decision, the following procedure is recommended: The laboratory is performing satisfactorily if the number of disagreements (as to presence or absence of asbestos) between the results of the two portions of the split-samples is less than a predetermined critical number. This critical number depends on the number of split-samples

analyzed. The following table, based on certain statistical considerations [2], gives the critical number of disagreements for different numbers of split-samples.

Number of Split-Samples	Critical Number of Split-Sample Disagreements
5	2
6 to 8	3
9 to 14	4
15 to 20	5
21 to 25	6

According to this table, if two or more disagreements are observed in five split-samples, or three or more disagreements are observed for six to eight split-samples, etc., then the laboratory's performance is suspect. On the other hand, if the number of disagreements is less than the critical number, the laboratory's performance is satisfactory. However, even if the laboratory is satisfactory, all split-sample results which do not agree must be resolved.

CONTINUING QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

As previously stated, the procedure for monitoring laboratory performance on an on-going basis includes a certain proportion of split-samples for the purpose of quality assurance. The number of split-samples with differences between the two parts of the split-sample will be monitored as described to determine whether laboratory performance is acceptable.

The number of split-samples that the school official will take will depend on the expected number of samples from

the school system. If an unacceptable number of disagreements is noted, then there is reason to suspect the laboratory's performance. In such a situation, it is suggested that the school official ask the laboratory to investigate and correct the cause(s) for these discrepancies. All samples analyzed during the period the laboratory's procedure is suspect must be reanalyzed. Again, even if the laboratory is considered satisfactory, all split-sample results which do not agree must be resolved.

The split-samples in a school should be divided among the sampling areas. That is, all splits in a school should not come from the same Sampling Area, assuming that there is more than one Sampling Area in a school.

The following flowcharts summarize the split-sample procedures under situations with different total numbers of samples. Figure 3.1 (Case 1) is for school programs with less than 25 samples; Figure 3.2 (Case 2) is for school programs with between 25 and 100 samples; and Figure 3.3 (Case 3) is for school programs with greater than 100 samples.

Note, it should be clear in examining the figures that there are several advantages if there is one statewide authority for the purpose of quality assurance monitoring. The effort needed in monitoring will be considerably reduced.

Figure 3.1

Case 1:

Split-Sample Procedures For School Systems For Which Fewer Than 25 Samples Will Be Analyzed

Take a minimum of 5 split-samples for the purpose of monitoring. If the number of split-sample disagreements is 2 or more, the laboratory's performance is suspect. All the samples analyzed during the period when the laboratory's procedure was suspect should be reanalyzed after the laboratory resolves the problems.

If the number of split-sample disagreements is less than two, then the lab performance is considered satisfactory. However, all split-sample disagreements should be resolved. No further monitoring is required for that laboratory.

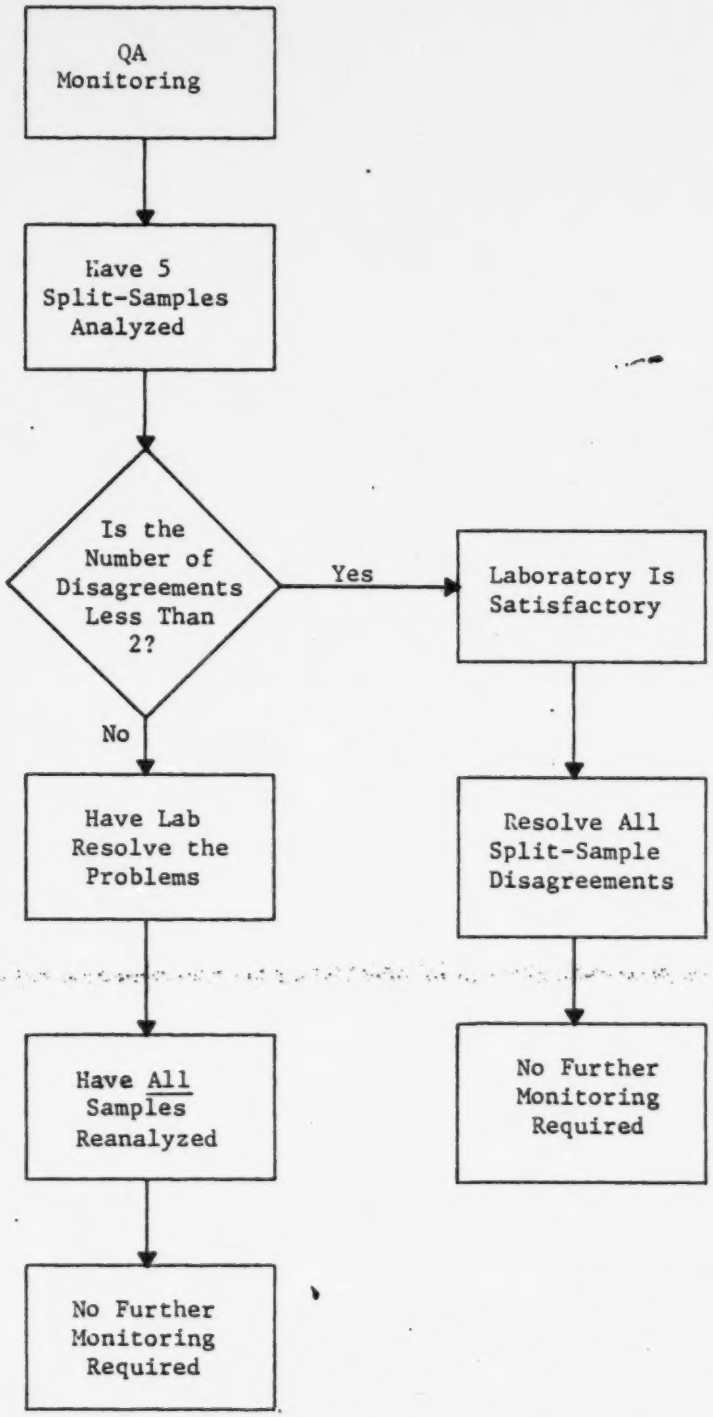


Figure 3.1 Case 1: School Systems For Which Fewer Than 25 Samples Will Be Analyzed

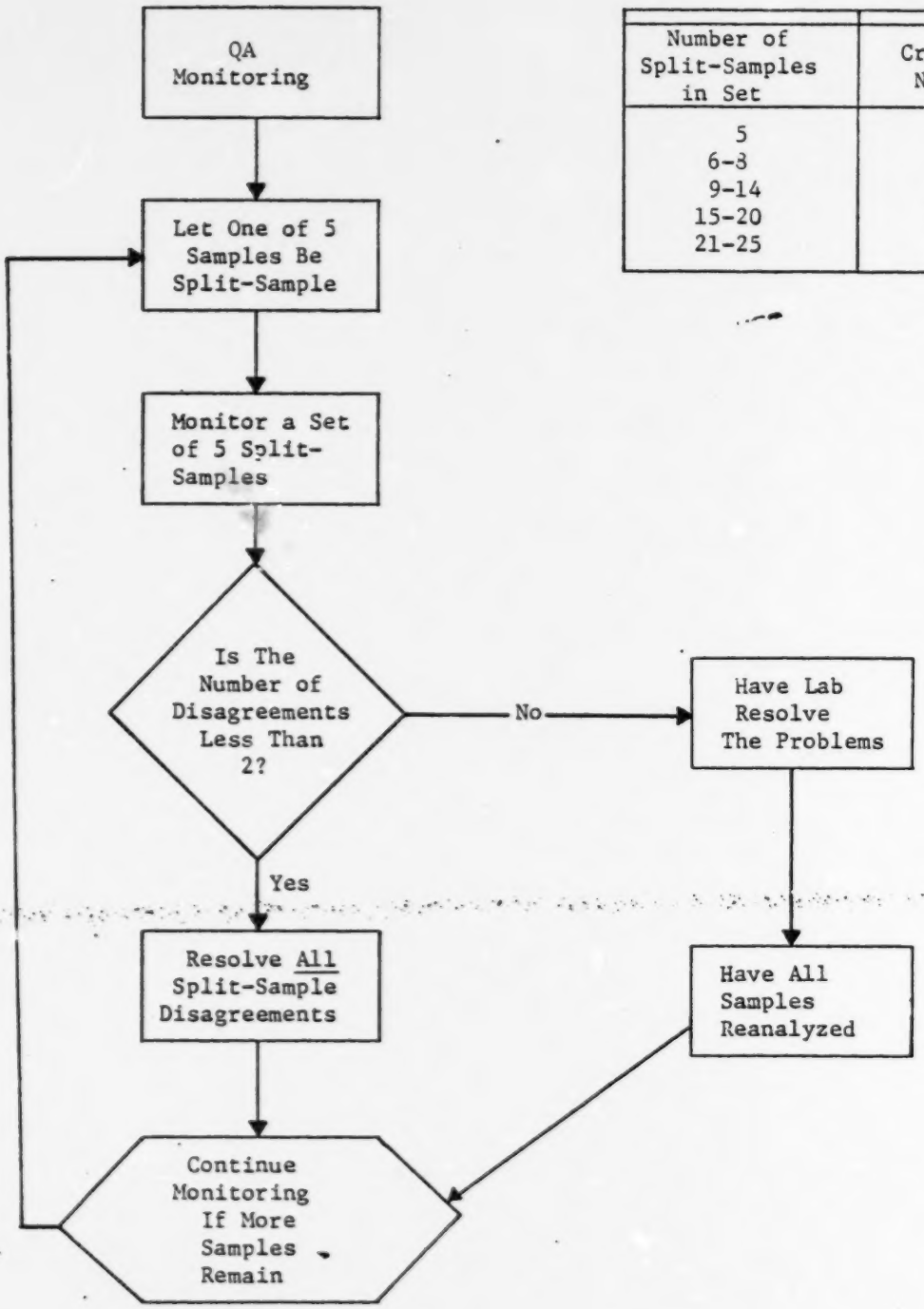
Figure 3.2

Case 2:

Split-Sample Procedures For School Systems With Expected Number of Samples Over 25 But Not Over 100

One out of every 5 samples should be split. The results of each consecutive set of 5 split-samples should be monitored. If 2 or more disagreements are noted, the laboratory must correct the problems and all samples analyzed during the period when the lab procedure was suspect should be reanalyzed.

Figure 3.2 assumes sets of 5 split-samples. If the number of split-samples in a given set is not a multiple of 5, then use the appropriate critical number in the table to determine the unacceptable number of disagreements.


QA Monitoring
Let One of 5 Samples Be Split-Sample
Monitor a Set of 5 Split-Samples
Is The Number of Disagreements Less Than 2?
No
Have Lab Resolve The Problems
Yes
Resolve All Split-Sample Disagreements
Have All Samples Reanalyzed
Continue Monitoring If More Samples Remain

Number of Split-Samples in Set	Critical Number
5	2
6-8	3
9-14	4
15-20	5
21-25	6

Figure 3.2 Case 2: School Systems With Expected Number of Samples Over 25 But Not Over 100

Figure 3.3

Case 3:

Split-Sample Procedures For School Systems
With Expected Number of Samples Over 100

Among the first 100 samples, one out of every 5 samples should be a split-sample. For these split-samples, the results of each consecutive set of 5 split-samples should be monitored. If 2 or more disagreements are noted, the lab procedure is suspect. All the samples analyzed during the period when the lab procedure was suspect should be reanalyzed after the laboratory resolves the problems.

After the first 100 samples, the split-sample rate may be reduced to 1 in every 10 samples. Then the results of each consecutive set of 20 split-samples should be monitored. If 5 or more disagreements are noted in the results of any set, the lab procedure may be suspect. If less than 20 split-samples comprise a set, use the appropriate critical number in the table to determine the unacceptable number of disagreements. All the samples analyzed during the period when the lab procedure was suspect should be reanalyzed after the laboratory resolves the problems.

Number of Split-samples In Set	Critical Number
5	2
6-8	3
9-14	4
15-20	5
21-25	6

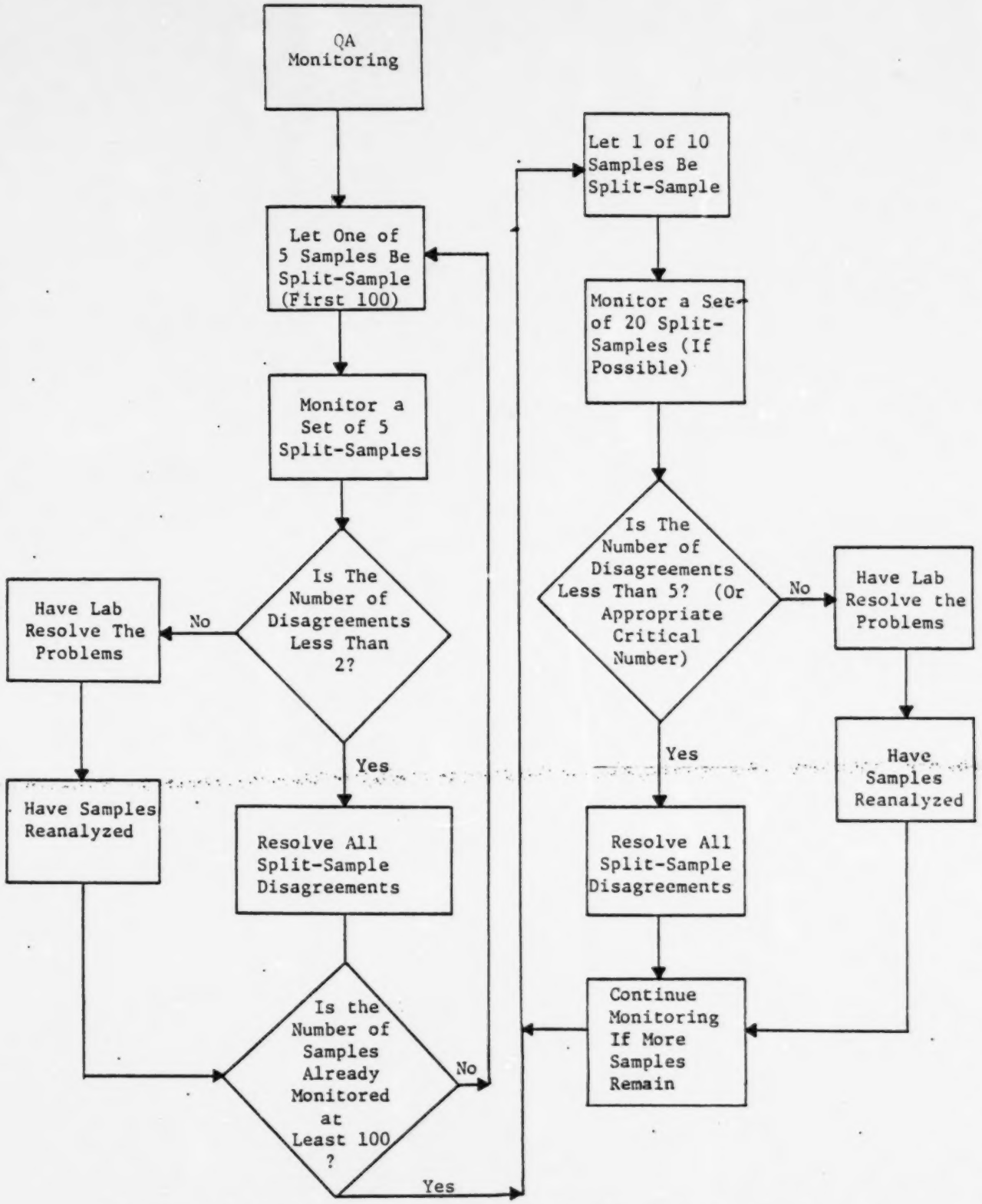

QA Monitoring
Let One of 5 Samples Be Split-Sample (First 100)
Monitor a Set of 5 Split-Samples
Is The Number of Disagreements Less Than 2?
No
Have Lab Resolve The Problems
Have Samples Reanalyzed
Yes
Resolve All Split-Sample Disagreements
Is the Number of Samples Already Monitored at Least 100 ?
No
Yes
Let 1 of 10 Samples Be Split-Sample
Monitor a Set of 20 Split-Samples (If Possible)
Is The Number of Disagreements Less Than 5? (Or Appropriate Critical Number)
No
Have Lab Resolve the Problems
Have Samples Reanalyzed
Yes
Resolve All Split-Sample Disagreements
Continue Monitoring If More Samples Remain

Figure 3.3 Case 3: School Systems With Expected Number of Samples Over 100

CHAPTER 4: LABORATORY ANALYSIS AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Now that the asbestos analytical program is established and samples have been collected, the "blind" samples are sent to a qualified laboratory for analysis. To ensure completeness and consistency in the data received from laboratories, this chapter provides a LABORATORY DATA SHEET which should accompany all samples.

When the analytical results are received, the asbestos analytical program coordinator will need to interpret them. A simple statistical analysis technique is provided to facilitate this process.

The calculation of 90% confidence intervals as outlined below provides interval estimates of the asbestos content in each Sampling Area. The meaning of this estimate can be described as follows. If sampling is repeated 100 times and a confidence interval is calculated each time, then 90 of the 100 confidence intervals for the Sampling Area will contain the true average concentration of asbestos in that Sampling Area.

FORWARDING SAMPLES TO LABORATORY

It is very important to obtain complete and accurate information from the analytical laboratories. To ensure that goal, a sample laboratory reporting form is provided. Pertinent requested information includes:

(1) The Sample Identification Number

The analyst should not know whether he or she is running a routine sample or a sample which has been selected for split-sample analysis. To assure that all samples are run "blind", label the sampling containers with only the unique sample identification number assigned by the asbestos analytical program coordinator. Do not use sample location numbers.

(2) The Analytical Method(s) Used In the Analysis

The method of choice is polarized light microscopy with or without dispersion staining and X-ray diffraction as appropriate (see [3] and Appendix H of [1]).

(3) Sample Appearance

A comment should be made on the homogeneity of the sample and the steps taken to assure that proper analytical sampling was employed. If the analyst selects only fibrous-looking particles from the sample submitted for analysis, he or she is apt to miss small pea-like coated aggregates of asbestos

which were formed during the spray-on procedure at the time of application. Improper sampling by the analyst may result in a false negative, i.e., reporting no asbestos present when it is in the sample. Several slides may be required for accurate analysis of the sample.

(4) Sample Treatment

Some analysts prepare the sample by grinding or washing prior to microscopic analysis. This process should be briefly described.

(5) Amount of Material Examined

The analyst should estimate the total number of milligrams of material examined.

(6) Type and Percent of Asbestos Present

The analyst should identify all asbestos fibrous materials and estimate the percent of each type present and specify associated precision.

(7) Percent Total Asbestos Present in Sample

The analyst should record the percent of total asbestos present (all types) in the sample.

(8) Type(s) and Amount(s) of Other Fibrous Materials

The non-asbestos fibrous materials should be identified by the analyst as to type(s) with an estimate of the amount of each type present. The precision to be associated with the percentage reported should also be specified. The basis for that

judgment and characterization should be provided. Such verification may help to minimize the reporting of false negatives (i.e., reporting asbestos as cellulose) or false positives (i.e., reporting fiberglass as chrysotile).

(9) Type(s) and Amount(s) of Nonfibrous Material Present

The nonfibrous materials should be identified by the analyst with an estimate of the amount of each present.

(10) Description of Method of Quantitation

The analyst should briefly describe the quantitation technique employed.

(11) Description of Laboratory's Quality Control Program

The laboratory should give appropriate comments on their in-house "good laboratory practices" that provide quality control for their PLM analyses including the number of slides per sample and the number of splits per set.

LABORATORY DATA SHEET

Sample ID #								
Laboratory Sample ID #								
Analytical Method (enter number) 1. PLM 2. PLM + dispersion staining 3. X-ray diffraction								
Gross Sample Appearance (enter number; note color) 1. Homogeneous, fibrous 2. Homogeneous, nonfibrous 3. Heterogeneous, fibrous 4. Heterogeneous, nonfibrous 5. Heterogeneous, mixed								
Sample Treatment (enter number) 1. Homogenized 2. Untreated 3. Other, *specify*								
Total Amount of Material Examined (mg)								
Asbestos Present (enter number and percent) 1. Amosite 2. Chrysotile 3. Crocidolite 4. Other, *specify*								
Percent Total Asbestos Present in Sample								
Other Fibrous Materials Present (enter number and percent) 1. Fiberglass 2. Mineral Wool 3. Cellulose 4. Other, *specify*								
Nonfibrous Materials Present (enter description below by number and percent in columns) 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.								

(Continued: Please provide requested information on reverse side of this form.)

Description of Method of Quantitation

Description of Quality Control Program (e.g., # slides/sample, # splits/set)

Comments

Analyst's Name:

Analyst's Telephone Number:

Confirmation By:

Report Reviewed By:

Address Correction, Please:

Return Laboratory Forms to:

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF LABORATORY RESULTS

Because of the imperfection of the analytical techniques currently available for bulk sample analysis and the heterogeneous nature of these friable materials, it is not unusual to get a range of results reported by the laboratory on samples taken from within a single Sampling Area. It would be unusual for the asbestos concentrations for all three, five, or seven samples reported to be within a few percent of each other.

For that reason, a statistical analysis must be performed to compute a confidence interval for the average percentage of asbestos within a Sampling Area. The procedure outlined below was developed to be simple and easy-to-follow and is accompanied by a brief explanation.

Use the confidence interval to reach a conclusion as to the presence or absence of asbestos in the Sampling Area. If the entire confidence interval is below 1%, then conclude that asbestos is not present. If the entire confidence interval is above 1%, then conclude that asbestos is present. If the confidence interval contains the value 1%, then there is still some question as to the presence or absence of asbestos in the Sampling Area.

Note that the confidence interval's upper bound can be interpreted as a maximum probable value. To narrow the confidence interval, it would be necessary to take a second series of samples. In most situations, obtaining a more

precise estimate when the maximum probable value is small would not normally warrant the additional expense involved in a second series of samples.

If it is concluded that asbestos is present in the Sampling Area, then the potential exposure of users of the building should be evaluated and a decision on corrective action should be made according to the guidelines presented in Asbestos-Containing Materials in School Buildings: A Guidance Document, Part 1 [1].

A STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET and instructions are provided in this section. A completed WORKSHEET is also shown. In these calculations, use the value for percent asbestos from the line on the LABORATORY DATA SHEET titled "Percent Total Asbestos Present in Sample". Compute one confidence interval for each Sampling Area.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET AND EXAMPLE

I. List the results of the laboratory analysis of the friable material for the Sampling Area. There should be 3, 5 or 7 observations to enter in column (A). The order of entry is unimportant. In column (B) enter the square of the number in column (A). Sum both columns.

For Example:

No.	(A) Percent Asbestos	(B) Squares of Column (A)
1	15	225
2	30	900
3	25	625
4	25	625
5	35	1,225
6	0	0
7	22	484
	(A) 152 %	(B) 4,084

II. Enter the number of observations. Should be 3, 5, or 7.

For Example: From above N = 7

III. The mean is the sum of the observations divided by the number of observations.

For Example: Mean = $\frac{(A)}{N} = \frac{\boxed{(A)\ 152\ \%}}{N = 17} =$ 21.71 %

IV. The variance (V) is a measure of precision and is calculated according to the formula below.

For Example: $V = \frac{1}{N-1} \left[(B) - \frac{(A)^2}{N} \right]$

$= \frac{1}{7-1} \left[4,084 - \frac{152 \times 152}{7} \right]$

$= \frac{1}{6} \left[4,084 - 3300.57 \right]$

$= \frac{783.43}{6}$

$V = 130.57$

V. The standard deviation (SD) is the square root of the sample variance.

For Example: SD = $\sqrt{V}$ = $\sqrt{130.57}$

SD = 11.43 %

VI. The half-range (HR) depends on the number of observations, and is the product of the standard deviation (SD) and one of the following constants.

If N =	then HR = (SD) times
3	1.69
5	0.95
7	0.73

For Example: HR = (SD) 11.43 % x 0.73 (N = 7)

= 8.34 %.

VII. Confidence bounds are the upper and lower limits of the confidence interval and are found by subtracting the half-range from the mean to obtain the lower confidence bound, and adding the half-range to the mean to get the upper confidence bound.

For Example:

Lower Confidence Bound = (Mean) 21.71 % - (HR) 8.34 %

= (LCB) 13.37 %

Upper Confidence Bound = (Mean) 21.71 % + (HR) 8.34 %

= (UCB) 30.05 %

VIII. The 90% Confidence Interval (CI) consists of all the numbers between the upper and lower confidence bounds.

For Example: 90% CI = ((LCB) 13.37 %, (UCB) 30.05 %)

NOTE: Negative values can be achieved through this statistical analysis process. Since there obviously cannot be a negative concentration of asbestos in a ceiling, all negative values should be considered equivalent to zero.

IX.

If the 90% CI	Then Conclude
is below 1%	asbestos absent
is above 1%	asbestos present
contains 1%	uncertain

For Example: The 90% CI (13.37%, 30.05%) is completely above 1%, conclude that asbestos is present.

X. The maximum probable value equals the upper confidence bound (UCB), in this case, 30.05 %.

STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET

SAMPLING AREA ID # ____

I.

No.	(A) Percent Asbestos	(B) Squares of Column (A)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		

Total (A) _____% (B) _____

II. No. of observations (3, 5, or 7), N = _____

III. Mean = $\frac{(A)}{N}$ = $\frac{\text{Sum of Column (A)}}{\text{Total No. Observations}}$ = _____% = %

IV. Variance (V) = $\frac{1}{N-1}$ [(B) - $\frac{(A)^2}{N}$]

= $\frac{1}{\square}$ [$\frac{\boxed{(B)}}{\quad}$ - $\frac{\boxed{(A)}^2}{\square}$

= _____

V. Standard Deviation (SD) = $\sqrt{V}$ = $\sqrt{\quad}$

= _____%

VI. The half-range (HR)

If N =	then HR = (SD) times
3	1.69
5	0.95
7	0.73

HR = (SD) _____% x _____ = _____ %

VII. Confidence Bounds

Lower Confidence Bound (LCB) = Mean - HR

= Mean _____% - HR _____%

= (LCB) _____%

Upper Confidence Bound (UCB) = Mean + Half-range

= Mean _____% + HR _____%

= (UCB) _____%

(continued)

VIII. The 90% Confidence Interval

90% CI = [(LCB), (UCB)] = [_____%, _____%]

IX. The 90% CI ☐ is below 1%. Conclude asbestos absent.

☐ is above 1%. Conclude asbestos present.

☐ contains 1%. Uncertain.

X. Maximum Probable Value = (UCB) = _____%.

EXAMPLE STATISTICS COMPUTATION WORKSHEET

SAMPLING AREA ID # 2

I.

No.	(A) Percent Asbestos	(B) Squares of Column (A)
1	15	225
2	30	900
3	25	625
4	25	625
5	35	1,225
6	0	0
7	22	484
Total	(A) 152 %	(B) 4,084

II. No. of observations (3, 5, or 7), N = 7

III. Mean = $\frac{(A)}{N}$ = $\frac{\text{Sum of Column (A)}}{\text{Total No. Observations}}$ = $\frac{152}{7}$ % = 21.

IV. Variance (V) = $\frac{1}{N-1}$ [(B) - $\frac{(A)^2}{N}$]

= $\frac{1}{\boxed{6}}$ [$\frac{\boxed{(B)\ 4,084}}{}$ - $\frac{\boxed{(A)\ 152}^2}{\boxed{7}}$

= 130.57

V. Standard Deviation (SD) = $\sqrt{V}$ = $\sqrt{130.57}$

= 11.43 %

VI. The half-range (HR)

If N =	then HR = (SD) times
3	1.69
5	0.95
7	0.73

HR = (SD) 11.43 % x 0.73 = 8.34 %

VII. Confidence Bounds

Lower Confidence Bound (LCB) = Mean - HR

= Mean 21.71 % - HR 8.

= (LCB) 13.37 %

Upper Confidence Bound (UCB) = Mean + Half-range

= Mean 21.71 % + HR 8

= (UCB) 30.05 %

(continued)

VIII. The 90% Confidence Interval

90% CI = [(LCB), (UCB)] = [13.37 %, 30.05 %]

IX. The 90% CI ☐ is below 1%. Conclude asbestos absent.

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☐ contains 1%. Uncertain.

X. Maximum Probable Value = (UCB) = 30.05 %.

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III. $\text{Mean} = \frac{(A)}{N} = \frac{\text{Sum of Column (A)}}{\text{Total No. Observations}} = \frac{152}{7}\ \% = 21.$

IV. $\text{Variance (V)} = \frac{1}{N-1}\ [\ (B) - \frac{(A)^2}{N}\ ]$

$$= \frac{1}{\boxed{6}}\ [\ \frac{\boxed{(B)\ 4,084}}{} - \frac{\boxed{(A)\ 152}^{\,2}}{\boxed{7}}$$

$$= 130.57$$

V. $\text{Standard Deviation (SD)} = \sqrt{V} = \sqrt{130.57}$

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= (UCB) 30.05 %

(continued)

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APPENDIX A: EPA-Sponsored Analytical Proficiency Program For Asbestos Bulk Sample Analysis

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EPA-Sponsored Analytical Proficiency Program For Asbestos Bulk Sample Analysis

Growing public concern with the effects of exposure to asbestos fibers has resulted in a greatly increased demand for laboratory analysis to determine the content of bulk insulation samples. In the course of the Environmental Protection Agency school asbestos program, many differences have been noted in analytical services contracted for by public school systems. Discrepancies among laboratories may be attributed to variations in analytical methods, lack of appropriate reference standards, and inadequate reporting of analytical results.

Polarized light microscopy (PLM) is the EPA method of choice for detecting asbestos in bulk insulation samples [1]. EPA is sponsoring an analytical proficiency program directed at qualifying, to a limited extent, the services provided by commercial laboratories claiming capability in PLM analysis. Commercial and noncommercial laboratories were invited to participate in the program. Accepting laboratories were provided with four characterized samples and their analytical reports were compared with reference analyses. This was not an accreditation program and did not seek to certify or endorse participating laboratories. A

performance rating based on a fairly lenient criterion was determined for each laboratory.

Laboratories had been notified at the start of the project that such a rating would be made. Participation in the program was required for laboratories to be included on the published listing.

Four bulk samples were sent to each laboratory. Two contained asbestos fibers, anthophyllite and chrysotile, and two were non-asbestos fiber materials, mineral wool and fiberglass, commonly found in insulations. The samples were doublebagged, coded, and packaged with a reporting form and instructions for analysis. Sample packages were mailed on December 28, 1979, to all laboratories on the source listing.

Seventy-one percent of the laboratories contacted reported results including 52 of 72 commercial labs and 23 of 34 noncommercial labs. Results included were received on or before January 25, 1980. For the 300 (75 x 4) samples analyzed, no false negatives and only two false positives were reported. Mineral wool (Sample 1) was incorrectly identified by one laboratory as crocidolite and by another laboratory as amosite. The other 73 laboratories correctly identified Sample 1 as either mineral wool, fiberglass or glass wool.

Anthophyllite-asbestos was frequently misidentified as either amosite (15 labs) or tremolite (10 labs). This was

most likely due to unfamiliarity with anthophyllite-asbestos because no standard reference samples exist and it is not commonly found in insulation materials. Fiberglass was identified as fiberglass, mineral wool, or glass wool by all laboratories. Chrysotile was properly identified by all laboratories. Chrysotile is the most common asbestos fiber found in insulation materials.

The laboratories estimated the relative amounts of sample constituents. These estimates were averaged for each sample lot, disregarding errors in fiber identification. Means and standard deviations were included on reports to the laboratories. The distribution of quantitative estimates were recorded on histograms in 5 percent intervals. The histograms were included on individual reports to allow laboratories to place themselves within the distribution. Because of the lack of an accepted quantitation procedure, values reported were not used in rating laboratory performance.

Reports were issued to individual laboratories on March 25, 1980 (commercial), and April 3, 1980 (noncommercial). Reports included the results of reference analyses, data reported by the individual laboratory, and summary data on quantitative estimates. An example of the reports to laboratories is shown in Figure A-1.

A listing of laboratories which participated in the quality assurance program is included in this appendix.

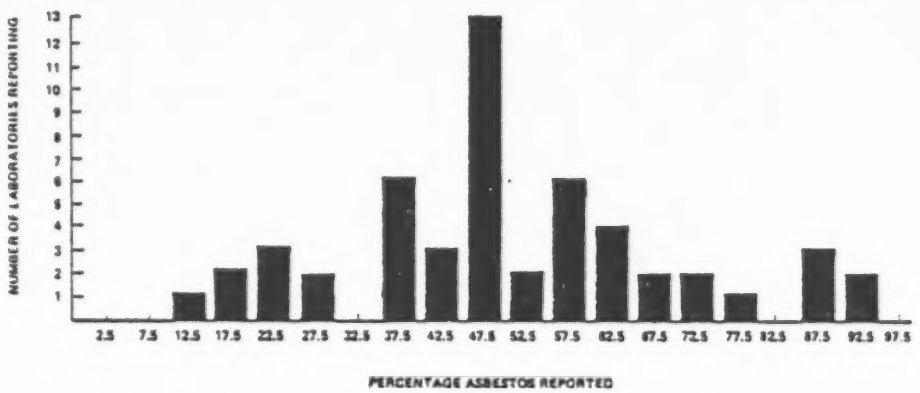
Updated lists of participants in subsequent rounds may be obtained by calling the EPA toll-free number for technical assistance, 1-800-334-8571.

ASBESTOS BULK SAMPLE ANALYSIS PROGRAM
RESULTS OF ROUND 1

Sample I.D. #:	220	801	273	854
Asbestos Present (%)				
Laboratory report	0	75 anthophyllite	0	95 chrysotile
Reference report	0	53 anthophyllite	0	95 chrysotile
Other Fibrous Material (%)				
Laboratory report	100 mineral wool	0	95 fiberglass	0
Reference report	98 mineral wool	0	98 fiberglass	0
Summary of Laboratories Reporting:				
Mean % (Standard deviation)				
Asbestos present	0 (0)	53.0 (19.3)	0 (0)	84.5 (17.4)
Other fibrous material	96.1 (5.4)	1.4 (7.1)	97.7 (4.0)	1.2 (3.1)

Distribution of Asbestos Quantitation

Sample I.D. #: 801



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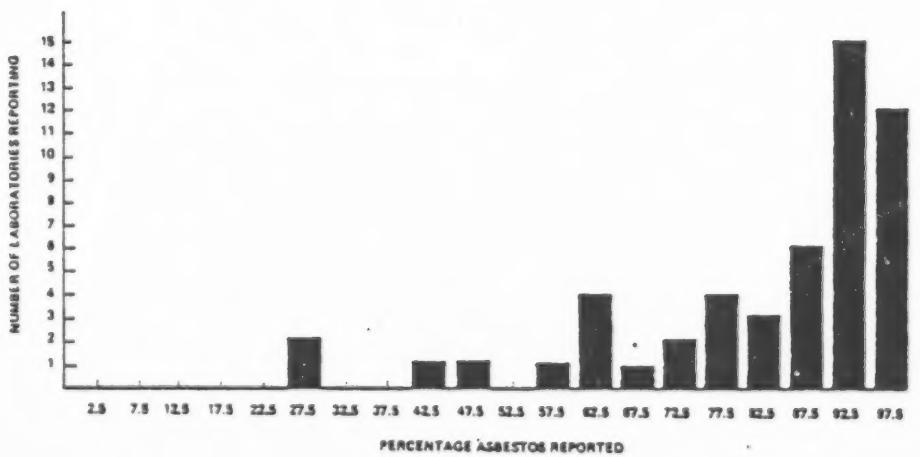


Figure A-1: Example of Reports to Laboratories

LABORATORIES PARTICIPATING IN THE ANALYTICAL PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

	# Correct/ 4 Samples
American Can Company Safety & Industrial Hygiene Laboratory U.S. Highway 22 Union, New Jersey 07083	4/4
American Microscopy Laboratory D. 3410 12th Avenue E. Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405	4/4
Analytical Center, Inc. P. O. Box 15635 Houston, Texas 77020	4/4
Boeing Technology Services 9R-25 P. O. Box 3707 Seattle, Washington, 98124	4/4
Brewer Analytical Laboratories 311 Pacific Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96810	4/4
C.E.D., Inc. Environmental Microscopy International 135 West Cutting Boulevard Richmond, California 94804	4/4
Casalina Associates, Inc. 47-345 Mahakea Road Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744	4/4
Certified Testing Laboratories, Inc. 2905 East Century Boulevard South Gate, California 90280	4/4
Clayton Environmental Counsultants, Inc. 25711 Southfield Road Southfield, Michigan 48075	4/4
Colorado School of Mines Research Institute P. O. Box 112 Golden, Colorado 80401	4/4
Fay Goldblatt 407 N. Butrick Street Waukegan, Illinois 60085	4/4

	# Correct/ 4 Samples
Continental Technical Services Environmental Health Division 9742 Skillman Dallas, Texas 75243	4/4
Department of Chemistry New Jersey Institute of Technology 323 High Street Newark, New Jersey 07102	4/4
Department of Geological Sciences SUNY, New Paltz New Paltz, New York 12562	4/4
Department of Geology Illinois State University Normal, Illinois 61761	4/4
Eastern Analytical Laboratories One "A" Street Burlington, Massachusetts 01803	4/4
EMS Laboratories 12563 Crenshaw Boulevard Hawthorne, California 90250	4/4
EMV Associates, Inc. Microanalysis Laboratory 15825 Shady Grove Road Rockville, Maryland 20850	4/4
Environment/One Corporation 2773 Balltown Road Schenectady, New York 12301	4/4
Environmental Consulting & Testing Services P. O. Box 3521 Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034	3/4
Environmental Health Services, Inc. 5206 Lindbergh Boulevard W. Carollton, Ohio 45449	4/4
Erie Testing Laboratories 2401 W. 26th Street Erie, Pennsylvania 16506	4/4
Erlin, Hime Associates 811 Skokie Boulevard Northbrook, Illinois 60062	4/4

	# Correct/ 4 Samples
GCA Corporation Technology Division Burlington Road Bedford, Massachusetts 01730	4/4
Geoscience Consultants, Inc. P. O. Box 341366 Coral Gables, Florida 33134	4/4
Hager Laboratories 12000 E. 47th Avenue Denver, Colorado 80239	4/4
Health Science Associates Suite B/C 10941 Bloomfield Street Los Alamitos, California 90720	4/4
Herron Testing Laboratories 5405 Schaaf Road Cleveland, Ohio 44131	4/4
IIT Research Institute 10 West 35th Street Chicago, Illinois 60616	4/4
Industrial Analytical Laboratory 1523 Kalakaua Avenue Suite 101 Honolulu, Hawaii 96826	4/4
Industrial Hygienics, Inc. 755 New York Avenue Huntington, New York 11743	4/4
Industrial Testing Laboratories, Inc. 2350 Seventh Boulevard St. Louis, Missouri 63104	4/4
Inter-City Testing & Consulting Corporation P. O. Drawer "O" 609 Middle Neck Road Great Neck, New York 11023	4/4
Interscience Research 2614 Wyoming Avenue Norfolk, Virginia 23513	4/4

	# Correct/ 4 Samples
Jesse H. Bidanset & Associates, Inc. P. O. Drawer "O" 609 Middle Neck Road Great Neck, New York 11023	4/4
Law Engineering Testing Company 3301 Winton Road Raleigh, North Carolina 27619	4/4
LFE Corporation Environmental Analysis Lab Division 2030 Wright Avenue Richmond, California 94804	4/4
Maryland Mineral Analysis Laboratory Department of Geology University of Maryland College Park, Maryland 20740	4/4
MJH Associates Mineralogical Consultants 13345 Foliage Avenue Apply Valley, Minnesota 55124	4/4
Northrop Services, Inc. P. O. Box 12313 Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709	4/4
PEDCo Environmental, Inc. 11499 Chester Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45246	4/4
Princeton Testing Laboratory P. O. Box 3108 Princeton, New Jersey 08540	3/4
R. J. Kuryvial & Associates Mineralogy/Microscopy Consultants 12185 W. 29th Place Lakewood, Colorado 80215	4/4
Southwestern Laboratories P. O. Box 10687 Dallas, Texas 75207	4/4
St. Paul Fire & Marine Environmental Services Analytical Laboratory 494 Metro Square Building 7th and Robert Streets St. Paul, Minnesota 55101	4/4

APPENDIX B: Quality Assurance Program for Initial Laboratory Evaluation

	# Correct/ 4 Samples
Sunbelt Associates, Inc. 6961 Mayo Road New Orleans, Louisiana 70126	4/4
Thomas A. Kubic & Associates 8 Pine Hill Court Northport, New York 11768	4/4
Tri-State Laboratories, Inc. 54 Westchester Drive Austintown, Ohio 44515	4/4
Truesdail Laboratories, Inc. 4101 N. Figueroa Street Los Angeles, California 90065	4/4
United States Testing Company, Inc. 1415 Park Avenue Hoboken, New Jersey 07030	4/4
Utah Biomedical Test Laboratory 520 Wakara Way Salt Lake City, Utah 84108	4/4
Walter McCrone Associates, Inc. 2820 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616	4/4
Wausau Insurance Companies Environmental Health Laboratory 2000 Westwood Drive Wausau, Wisconsin 54401	4/4

APPENDIX B

Quality Assurance Program For Initial Laboratory Evaluation

A laboratory must document its experience with PLM and XRD prior to being used in a school's asbestos analytical program. All the laboratories on the list in Appendix A have demonstrated proficiency with these analytical techniques and should be utilized by school systems.

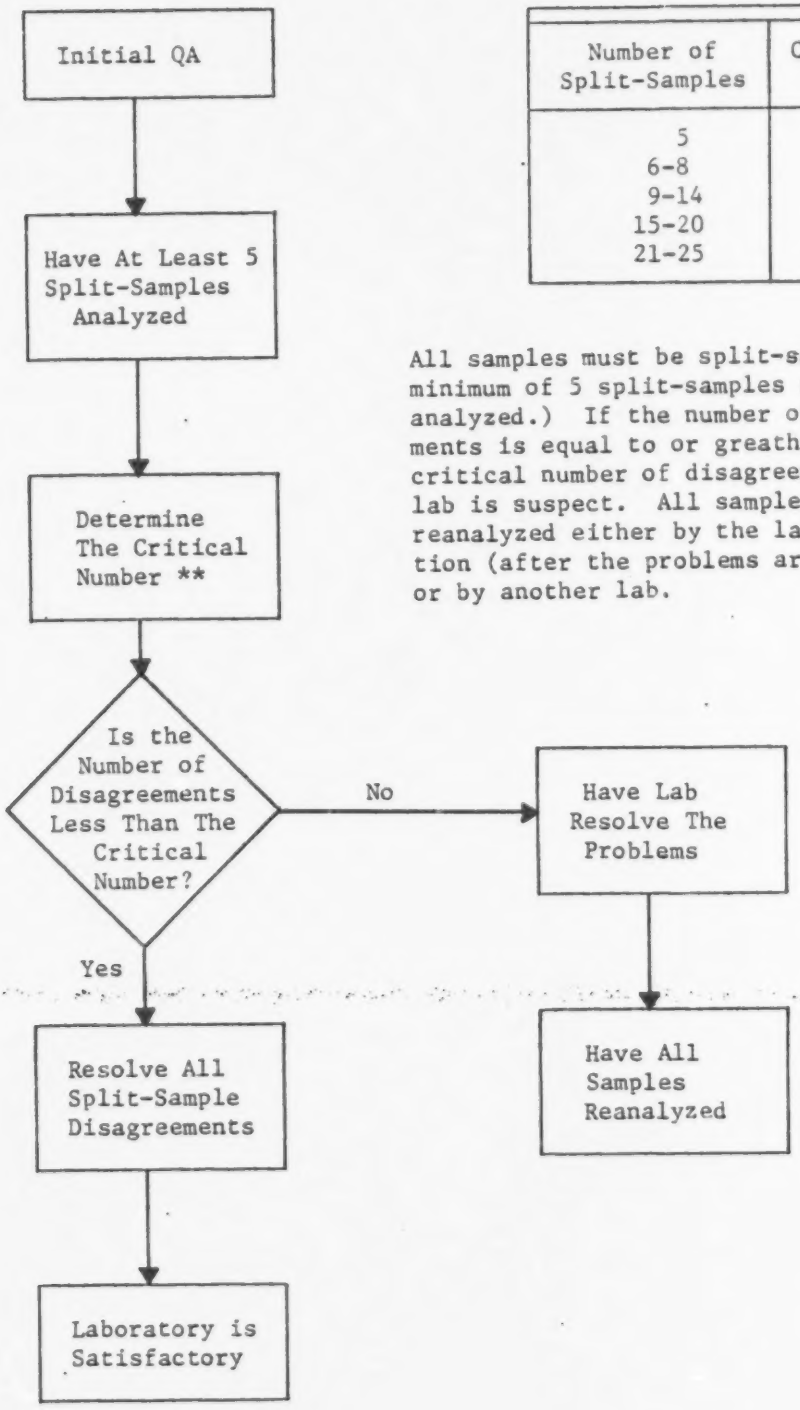
In the event that a state or school district selects a laboratory not on the list which does not have documented evidence of successful bulk sample analysis using PLM/XRD, the following laboratory evaluation procedure is suggested as a model for initial quality assurance.

Following the split-sample guidance offered in Chapter 3, use a minimum of twenty-five split-samples for judging the acceptability of a laboratory's performance. If the number of disagreements is more than 6, then the laboratory's performance is suspect. There may be situations in which it is not possible to have twenty-five split-samples, but the school official would like to have independent evidence of the performance of the laboratory. In such situations, analyze a minimum of five split-samples. If two or more disagreements are observed in these five split-samples, the laboratory's performance will be considered suspect.

The school official has two options. If the results of the split-sample analyses are unsatisfactory, reject the laboratory(ies) involved and identify other possible candidate laboratories. The second option is, encourage the laboratory to resolve the analytical problems surrounding the disagreements. When the laboratory has identified and corrected the problem, re-submit a new set of split-samples and again compare the analytical results in order to ensure that the problem has been resolved. Of course, if the official is still uneasy after sending several split-samples to a laboratory, he or she may opt to split every sample that they send to the laboratory.

In either case -- identifying new laboratories or resolving the problems at hand with previously selected laboratories -- the school official should not forward large numbers of samples for analysis until a laboratory has been determined to be acceptable in its analytical performance.

Figures B.1 and B.2 summarize the requirements for initial quality assurance under two different situations; namely, school systems with less than 25 samples and school systems with greater than 25 samples.


Initial QA
Have At Least 5 Split-Samples Analyzed
Determine The Critical Number **
Is the Number of Disagreements Less Than The Critical Number?
No
Have Lab Resolve The Problems
Have All Samples Reanalyzed
Yes
Resolve All Split-Sample Disagreements
Laboratory is Satisfactory

Number of Split-Samples	Critical** Number
5	2
6-8	3
9-14	4
15-20	5
21-25	6

All samples must be split-samples. (A minimum of 5 split-samples should be analyzed.) If the number of disagreements is equal to or greather than the critical number of disagreements, the lab is suspect. All samples must be reanalyzed either by the lab in question (after the problems are resolved) or by another lab.

Figure B.1 Case 1: School Systems For Which Fewer Than 25 Samples Will Be Analyzed

Twenty-five samples should be split-samples. If 6 or more disagreements are observed in the results of these 25 split-samples, the laboratory's performance is suspect. In this case, reanalyze the samples in that lab after the problems are resolved, or in another lab until the differences are resolved.

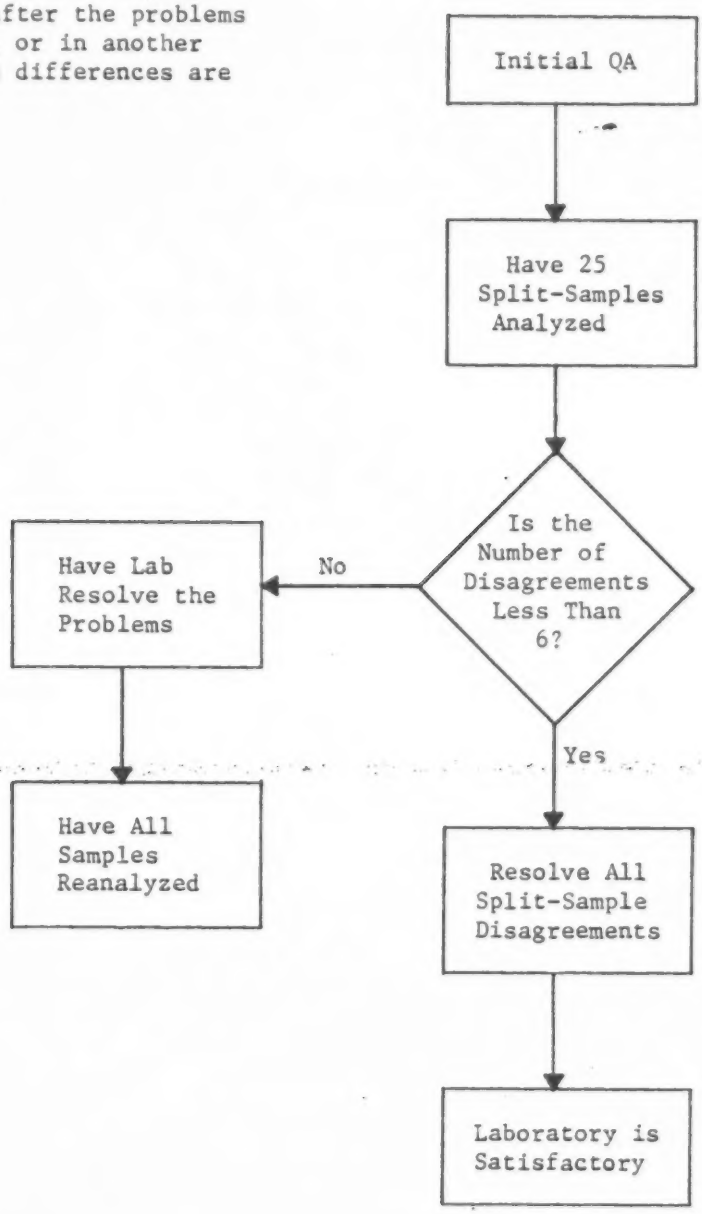


Figure B.2 Case 2: School Systems With Expected Number of Samples Over 25

APPENDIX C: How To Use The Table of Random Digits

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Table of Random Digits

The Table of Random Digits

(1) Begin on the first line in the upper left-hand corner of the table.

(2) Proceed horizontally line by line as if reading a book.

(3) Cross off or circle each digit as it is used. This prevents using the same digit more than once and also is a marker that tells where the last digit used was located and that the following digit is the next digit to use.

(4) The first number of a random number pair is to be between 0 and the rectangle length, where the rectangle length is the number of feet along the base of the rectangle.

(5) If the length is less than or equal to 9, follow instruction (5)a. If the length is less than or equal to 99 but greater than 9, follow instruction (5)b. If the length is less than or equal to 999 but greater than 99, follow instruction (5)c. If the length is less than or equal to 9,999 but greater than 999, follow instruction (5)d.

a. Select a one-digit random number from the table. If the number is less than or equal to the length, then circle the digit and use the selected number. If the number is greater than the length, then cross the digit off the table and repeat instruction (5)a.

b. Select a two-digit random number from the table. If the number is less than or equal to the length, then circle the digits and use the selected number. If the number is greater than the length, then cross the digits off the table and repeat instruction (5)b.

c. Select a three-digit random number from the table. If the number is less than or equal to the length, then circle the digits and use the selected number. If the number is greater than the length, then cross the digits off the table and repeat instruction (5)c.

d. Proceed as in instruction (5)c, but select four-digit random numbers instead of three-digit random numbers from the table.

(6) The second number of a random number pair is to be between 0 and the rectangle height, where the rectangle height is the number of feet along the side of the rectangle.

(7) To select a random number between 0 and the rectangle height, follow instruction (5), using height wherever instruction (5) specifies length.

(8) Repeat instructions (4), (5), (6), and (7) until all sample locations have been selected.

TABLE OF RANDOM DIGITS

44582	46158	74093	59121	03692	64813	56617	72993	66590	38058
11784	55778	96965	77810	28022	82425	97392	39476	95151	72894
99467	43708	60959	43228	56188	98074	89262	81629	51108	67418
90320	11450	73504	86473	51064	47355	62408	78119	07511	78476
06734	40248	77182	05454	20024	26053	13507	27746	72340	77341
82283	16274	09896	94822	62222	66638	68755	71100	92155	42435
51551	55040	81801	37118	71410	00794	71918	36927	07989	49983
30133	39596	45464	86248	93148	44411	74090	79115	65126	47529
92677	88177	70879	86262	94259	94425	29510	64693	71494	76666
20634	56942	49147	06248	76430	05003	72932	14219	13357	07189
08361	25792	30352	54229	53236	94426	77004	05433	00344	78295
13302	02709	30614	30335	40006	04093	07178	41372	72597	22166
18222	53745	08060	08712	56392	87580	23034	55944	90350	53690
65099	27691	45346	50864	20147	42495	47582	03439	32451	93211
64133	99840	50925	39609	08126	56368	72383	28310	10877	67532
07765	11446	36839	00489	88258	32257	35044	28220	16318	63172
86522	81825	13175	64851	08704	89514	96470	08114	36113	48110
97368	79881	10561	68625	60526	67411	09184	24437	45333	55607
32443	94023	28821	42701	58581	19811	42181	61941	08487	31468
33031	64521	86988	73789	28505	42204	02517	77293	98604	94733
74697	72451	05019	10565	29076	09914	28512	75211	92115	43363
78918	04504	88179	33101	23620	53718	55562	98261	31001	29718
36213	47336	07554	52634	72398	42061	77639	49208	81819	00403
04034	34973	42422	99407	80696	99841	11789	08289	34200	92468
06738	25056	07063	41729	82225	35912	99622	80506	90053	17421
29556	67044	13303	41677	12570	05242	46668	48845	09351	20785
81832	00308	94554	40814	58271	51033	28225	28064	16880	15286
11699	40232	81608	95101	07853	48490	40069	82796	68081	34319
78536	25859	81910	42731	38146	27317	23664	93340	79871	44193
45357	95941	13175	59939	39556	86303	06350	46941	78486	26193
91745	99309	09543	38282	14598	28129	31073	87258	56462	44062
63150	41097	45876	87587	15919	53571	41519	82838	89215	59770
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